

California Horse Racing Board

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION
TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of February 16, 2021 through February 21, 2021.

Tuesday

02/16/2021

(1) DUTY STEWARD

James Dreyer will be in the office this week to address morning business and will author the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book, maidens three years old, was called off with two. 1 Cal- Bred.

(3) THE DRAW

Fifty one horses passed the entry box to comprise our two Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse races Friday evening.

Wednesday

02/17/2021

(1) SCRATCHES

There were no changes or declarations on Friday's program.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book, maidens three years old, was off with two. 1 Cal-Bred. The eighth race in the book was a Cal Bred Stake, which was used.

(3) THE DRAW

Again, Saturday night there will be two Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse races.

Thursday

02/18/2021

(1) SCRATCHES

One equipment change and two rider changes completed Saturday's program adjustments.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book, maidens three years old, attracted no interest.

(3) THE DRAW

Sunday's feature will be the \$101,250 Los Alamitos Maiden Stakes.

Friday
02/19/2021

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time for Sunday resulted in one declaration.

(2) INQUIRY-DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards hung the inquiry following the seventh race to review the start. #6 Rox Win (3rd- C. Mendez) broke in pushing #5 Apollitical B Julia (6th-C. Franco) into #3 Druski (4th- R. Valenzuela) who in turn was pushed in and was forced to steady to avoid the heels of #2 Fly The Coup (2nd- R. Sanchez). After reviewing the film, the Stewards in a unanimous decision disqualified Rox Win.

Original Order 1-2-(6)-3-5

Official Order 1-2-3-5-(6)

(3) INQUIRY-DISQUALIFICATION

The inquiry sign was posted following the eighth race to review an incident approximately two hundred yards after the start. #7 Spirit Foose (4th- V. Salazar) was drifting in almost the entire race, finally causing #5 Favorite Mongoose (5th-J. Leon) to check sharply. After reviewing the film, the Stewards all felt the outcome of the race was compromised and voted to disqualify Spirit Foose.

Original Order 2-3-4-(7)-5

Official Order 2-3-4-5-(7)

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS

- 1st Race #1 Awesome Pirate (A. Aquino) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$185.80
- #4 Love and Hold (S. Rivera) – No Exam - Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$105.40
- 4th Race #6 Shanghai Curly (S. Morfin) – Sick - Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$142.70
- 5th Race #9 Caliente Shuffle (J. Nunez) – No Work – Stewards' Refund \$200.40
- 7th Race #4 Garda Da Cash (P. Jones) – Sick – Dr. Beck Refund \$320.23
- 8th Race #1 Look of Love MV (J. Flores) – Entered Back – Stewards' Refund \$125.60
- #6 Black Fryday (R. Figueroa) – Flipped in Gate - Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$24,615.17

(5) DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	0	\$30,923.80
Off track	295	\$77,080.90
Out of state	N/A	\$1,179,205.35
Total	295	\$1,287,210.05

Saturday
02/20/2021

(1) RULING #30

Ruling #30

JOCKEY RUBEN LOZANO IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688 (b)(7) (USE OF RIDING CROP –MORE THAN TWO TIMES IN SUCCESSION WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND) DURING THE SIXTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FEBRUARY 19, 2021.

The above ruling was issued after Jockey Lozano was found to be in violation of Rule #1688 (b)(7).

(2) RULING #31

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JOCKEY CRUZ MENDEZ, WHO RODE ROX WIN IN THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FEBRUARY 19, 2021, IS SUSPENDED FOR TWO (2) RACING DAYS (FEBRUARY 27TH AND 28TH, 2021) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE WHICH RESULTED IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM THIRD TO

SIXTH POSITION. THIS CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES- CARELESS RIDING).

The foregoing ruling was issued after the Stewards reviewed last evening's seventh race and felt that although Mr. Mendez did straighten his mount, he could have reacted a little quicker to alleviate the situation.

(3) RULING #32

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JOCKEY VICTOR SALAZAR, WHO RODE SPIRIT FOOSE IN THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FEBRUARY 19, 2021, IS SUSPENDED FOR THREE (3) RACING DAYS (FEBRUARY 27TH, 28TH AND MARCH 5TH, 2021) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE WHICH RESULTED IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FOURTH TO FIFTH POSITION. THIS CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES- CARELESS RIDING).

The above ruling was issued after meeting with Jockey Victor Salazar to discuss last evening's eighth race. The Stewards were unable to see any effort by Mr. Salazar to correct his mount's wayward path. Victor agreed with the decision.

(4) INQUIRY-NO CHANGE

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the sixth race to review the break. #2 Keep Listening (R. Lozano) reared simultaneously with starter Gary Brinson dispatching the field. After examining the start, the Stewards all felt Keep Listening caused her own problems and declared her a starter, even though she never left the starting gate.

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race #8 Tapitha Bonita (J. Nunez) – No Work- Stewards Refund \$87.45
#6 Charming Alexis (S. Rivera) – Injured - Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$1,272.12
4th Race #3 Maahes (L. Brady) – Unsound - Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$9,844.27
#4 Awesome Heights (J. Nunez) - Unsound - Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$124.80
5th Race #5 Wiliest (J. Hernandez, Jr.) - Sick- Dr. Beck Refund \$2,886.35

(6) ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	0	\$21,572.60
Off track	329	\$69,455.10
Out of state	N/A	\$1,433,283.73
Total	329	\$1,524,311.43

Sunday
02/21/2021

(1) RULING #33

Ruling # 33

JOCKEY JAIRO RANGEL IS SUSPENDED FOR THREE (3) RACING DAYS (FEBRUARY 28th, MARCH 5th, AND 6th, 2021) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688 (b)(7) (USE OF RIDING CROP – MORE THAN TWO TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND) AND RULE #1688 (b)(8) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN SIX TIMES DURING THE RACE) DURING THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FEBRUARY 20, 2021.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Jockey Rangel violated multiple sections of Rule #1688 during the running of the Denim N Diamond Handicap.

(2) OBJECTION-NO CHANGE

Following the fourth race, the trainer of #1 Dubai Royalty (4th- E. Payeras), Robert Lucas, lodged a claim of foul against #5 Gone Awol (2nd – E. Rojas) in mid-stretch. After reviewing the stretch run, the Stewards felt the outcome of the race was not affected even though Dubai Royalty did steady for one stride. No change was warranted.

(3) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race #2 Melchoir (J. Rosales) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$187.50
2nd Race #1 Lady Mo (R. Gomez) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$197.30
#6 Best Lady (R. De Leon) – Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$131.60
4th Race #2 Bottle Neck (J. Raudales) – Panel- Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$707.23
#6 Haru's Star (M. Pineda) – Panel- Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$170.00
6th Race #6 Soul Owner (V. Belvoir) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$1,000.73
8th Race #10 Ilusion Eagle (J. Gomez) – Injured in Gate – Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$62,732.16

(4) ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	0	\$22,283.10
Off track	320	\$74,179.60
Out of state	N/A	\$1,048,088.39
Total	320	\$1,144,551.09

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on February 21, 2021. There were no equine deaths to report this week. During this reporting period, 15 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 3 for soundness, 7 for injury, 4 for sickness, and 1 for bleeding. Eleven horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward James Dreyer.

SUMMARY

	Wed	Thurs	Fri 2/19	Sat 2/20	Sun 2/21	Week	Meet
Accidents	D		0	0	0	0	1
Cal-Bred Races	A		0	1	0	1	1
Claims	R		4	2	0	6	38
Disqualifications	K		2	0	0	2	3
Inquiries		D	2	1	1	4	15
Refunds		A	7	5	7	19	100
Rulings		Y	0	3	1	4	31
Voided Claims		S	0	0	0	0	5

Stewards' Attendance: Stewards James Dreyer, Tom Ward, Richard Williams, and Safety Steward Paul Atkinson were in attendance during this reporting period.

James Dreyer, Steward

Tom Ward, Steward

Richard Williams, Steward

Paul Atkinson, Safety Steward